

SGE/KEL

May 2022



Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Activities Week: 13-17 June 2022

I am extremely pleased that the College is able to run our annual Activities Week again this year following two years where this wasn't possible due to the pandemic. This letter details the arrangements for Year 8 pupils during the week 13-17 June where, in place of regular lessons, all Year 8 pupils will be focusing on different aspects of the Arts and will participate in producing 'a play in a week'.

Pupils will be making choices in school about whether they would like to focus on music, drama, art or marketing and production throughout the week. They will then spend time in these specialist areas taking part in workshops and contributing to the production of a final performance of one of Shakespeare's well-known plays on Friday 17 June.

Pupils will also spend a day studying off-site at Burghley House in Stamford on either Monday 13 June or Friday 17 June. Burghley House boasts an extensive and varied fine art collection as well as a sculpture garden for pupils to explore. The day that your child goes to Burghley House will depend on their chosen strand for the week. The trip will depart around 9.00 am and we hope to return in time for the school buses at the end of the day, traffic permitting.

Pupils will need to be in school uniform all week, including when out at Burghley House. They should also bring a pair of trainers each day as they will be taking part in some sports activities too. If we are lucky enough to have good weather, pupils may be working outside and may require sun cream and a hat. If your child needs to carry an inhaler, EpiPen or personal medication, please ensure that it is with them and that you have notified the College.

Due to the nature of the activities throughout the week and the coach travel costs, we are requesting a voluntary contribution of £20 per pupil via the Trips and Visits area of WisePay. If there are insufficient funds, some events may not be able to take place. Some financial support is available for pupils who qualify now, or have qualified in the past six years, for free school meals. Please contact Ms M Tuckwood, Pupil Premium Coordinator, (mtuckwood@sawstonvc.org) for further details.

Contributions are voluntary and no student will be treated differently according to whether or not their parents have made any contribution in response to this or any other request.

Please complete this online [consent form](#) by Monday 6 June.

Yours faithfully



Miss S Gelder
Deputy Principal

